# Camps, Sports and Excursions Fund APPLICATION Form for SIXTEEN YEARS and OVER (requiring parent/carer's consent)

This form can be signed by the students' parents or carer if the student is sixteen years and over who holds a concession card but is not a mature minor. In this instance if the school believes that the minor applicant is incapable of understanding the general nature and effect of giving the consent or communicating the consent, then the parent or carer must consent on their behalf.

### This form is only to be used when the student is the applicant.

School Name			School REF ID		
Student's d	letails				
Surname					
First name					
Address					
Town/suburb			State	Postcode	
Contact number					
Centrelink pensio	ner concession <b>OR</b> He	ealth care card n	number (CRN)		
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Applicant's surname	Applicant's first name	Student ID	Date of birth (dd/mm/yyyy)	Year level

I authorise the Victorian Department of Education (DE) to use Centrelink Confirmation eServices to perform an enquiry about the child's Centrelink customer details and concession card status to enable the business to determine if the child qualifies for a concession, rebate or service. I also authorise the Victorian Department of Families, Fairness and Housing (DFFH) to provide the results of any enquiry to DE regarding temporary care orders.

I understand that:

- DFFH or Centrelink will use information I have provided to DE to confirm the child's eligibility for the Camps, Sports and Excursions Fund and will disclose to DE personal information including the child's name, address, payment and concession card type and status.
- This consent, once signed by the student's parent, remains valid while I, the student am enrolled at a registered Victorian school unless I the student's parent or carer withdraw it by contacting the school.
- I can obtain proof of the child's circumstances/details from DFFH and provide it to the child's school so that their eligibility for the Camps, Sports and Excursions Fund can be determined.
- If I withdraw my consent or do not alternatively provide proof of my circumstances/details, the child may not be eligible for the Camps, Sports and Excursions Fund provided by DE.
- Information regarding the child's eligibility for the Camps, Sports and Excursions Fund may be disclosed to DFFH and/or State Schools Relief for the purpose of evaluating concession card services or confirming eligibility for assistance.

You can request access to the personal information that we hold about the child, and to request that any errors be corrected, by contacting the child's school.

Signature of applicant





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# Camps, Sports and Excursions fund eligibility

Below are the criteria used to determine a student's eligibility for the Camps, Sports and Excursions Fund (CSEF).

## Criteria 1 – Eligibility

To be eligible\* for the fund, a mature minor of sixteen years of age or over, a parent or legal guardian of a student attending a registered Government or non-government Victorian primary or secondary school must:

- on the first day of Term one; or
- on the first day of Term two.
  - a) Be an eligible beneficiary within the meaning of the State Concessions Act 2004, that is, be a holder of Veterans Affairs Gold Card or be an eligible Centrelink Health Care Card (HCC) or Pensioner Concession Card (PCC) holder; or
  - b) Be a temporary foster parent; and
  - c) Submit an application to the school by the due date.

\* A special consideration eligibility category also exists. For more information, see: <u>Camps, Sports and Excursions Fund</u> (<u>CSEF</u>): <u>Eligibility</u> | <u>education.vic.gov.au</u>

Mature minors or parents who receive a Carer Allowance on behalf of a child, or any other benefit or allowance not income tested by Centrelink, are not eligible for the CSEF unless they also comply with one of (a) or (b) above.

### Criteria 2 - Be of school age and attend school in Victoria

School is compulsory for all Victorian children aged between six and seventeen years of age inclusive. For the purposes of CSEF, students may be eligible for assistance if they attend a Victorian registered primary or secondary school. Typically, these students are aged between five and eighteen years inclusive. CSEF is not payable to students' attending pre-school, kindergarten, home schooling, or TAFE.

#### **Eligibility Date**

For concession card holders, CSEF eligibility will be subject to their concession card being successfully validated with Centrelink See <u>Camps, Sports and Excursions Fund (CSEF): Policy | education.vic.gov.au</u>

## **Payment amounts**

### **CSEF** payment amount

The CSEF is an annual payment to the school to be used towards camps, sports and/or excursion expenses for the benefit of the eligible student.

The CSEF is paid directly to the school and will be allocated by the school towards camps, sports and/or excursion costs for the child. Please refer to the policy linked below for the current rates.

For ungraded students, the rate payable is determined by the student's date of birth. For more information, see: <u>Camps</u>, <u>Sports and Excursions Fund (CSEF): Payment amounts | education.vic.gov.au</u>

**Foundation and year 7 government school students** who are CSEF recipients are also eligible for a uniform voucher. Schools are required to make applications on behalf of parents, so please register your interest at the school.

# How to complete the application form

# NOTE: ALL SECTIONS MUST BE COMPLETED BY the parent/carer of the STUDENT, SIXTEEN YEARS OR OVER but not a mature minor

- 1. Complete the students DETAILS sections.
- 2. Make sure that the Surname, First Name, and Customer Reference Number (CRN) details match those on the child's concession card. You will also need to provide your concession card to the school.
- 3. Sign and date the form and return it to the school office as soon as possible.

CSEF payments cannot be claimed retrospectively for prior years.

Queries relating to CSEF eligibility and payments should be directed to the school.

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